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DR. DAVIS.

At Point de Galle, on the 26th March, on his way

from Bombay to China, Dr. DAVID DAVIS, deeply regretted.

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The Daily Press.

CHENG-TU, APRIL 16TH, 1880.

The Japanese Government and people con-

tinued to make progress, politically and com-

mercially. Mistakes are committed now and

again, but on the whole the history of Young

Japan is one of solid advancement. Great

energy has been displayed by the nation, and

a strong determination to develop the re-

sources of the country and extend its com-

merce, is apparent from the most cursory

perusal of the Japanese newspapers. New

industries are constantly being started, some-

times without due consideration of their pro-

spects of success, but all with the earnest

intention of promoting the industrial ex-

pansion of the country, and in the main with

good results. The trade with Korea is

being increased, and active measures are

being adopted to render the island of Yesso

productive. Politically, the Government

has also been energetic. It has put a final

end to the semi-independence of Loochoo, by

converting it into a ken or province of the

Empire, has established its ascendancy in

Korea, and has promoted the colonisation of

the Bonin Islands. It has reorganized the

army on a European basis, and has given the

nation a navy. Its vessels-of-war have been

seen in most parts of the world, and some of

them are again about to commence extended

crusades. The *Tribune*, *Kwang-tung*, is to start for

Vancouver's Island shortly, and the *Hsi-ki*

Kwan has just left Yokohama for the Indian

Ocean and Persian Gulf. It is stated by some

of the native papers that the latter vessel

carries officials charged to negotiate a com-

mercial treaty with Persia, and the *Japan*

Gazette appears to think the report is not

without foundation. Apart from the doubt

whether any advantage could accrue to Japan

from a treaty with Persia, we are unable to

conceive a motive for opening such negotia-

tions. Persia is not a great commercial coun-

try, and produces little that Japan would

care to import. Nor is she rich enough to become a

large consumer of Japanese wares. Never-

theless, the Japanese Government may have

some good reason for wishing to open directi-

correces with the country of the Shat, and in

any case it is wise to send the Japanese men-

of-war to foreign countries, where the officers

will inevitably gain knowledge and widen

their ideas. It would be well if the Chinese

Government would take a few leaves out of

the Japanese book, and adopt a broader and

more liberal foreign policy.

Our London correspondent's letter of the 5th ultimo has been delayed, and only arrived by the last English mail. We give it now, with his communication of the 12th ult.

We are requested to give notice that on account of the bad season, the Garde des Eaux Guard will be closed to Civilian Cricket Clubs from the 20th instant to the 18th October next.

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the agent of Austria to the end that a single agent will be held you is suspended. The future of the war is to be decided by a decision that a search was instituted.

ENGLAND AND TURKEY.

It seems abundantly clear that the British Government do not mean to be trifled with by that sensual idiot the Sultan. Turkish and Greek delegates have been hard at it for months endeavouring to settle the question of the Greek War, but the impractical and obstinate Turk has not yet made any real settlement in that regard. The Greek Government appealed to the European Powers. England proposed a form of settlement which France agreed to, and to which all the other Powers assented. This plan will, as I understand, be carried out whether the Sultan likes it or not. The Turk must be improved from the face of Europe.

A bold-headed professor, reproving a youth for the excesses of his father, was seen. "We fight with our hands at this moment," said the man reflected for a moment, and then roared calmly, "Ah, I see, and you have butt all your hair off."

A complete series of letters from the pen of a Russian lady, who is already known to the public in a volume entitled "Is Russia Wrong?" will shortly be published under the title of "Russia and Poland." The author will write a preface. The work will be dedicated to the memory of Colonel Nicolas Kireff, the first-Russian volunteer killed in Serbia in the war of 1876. It will also contain a portrait of that officer and three maps of Bulgaria.

A work called "Church Folk-Lore" is in preparation, which ought to prove interesting and instructive. The author is a Russian lady, so that the appointment cannot be very agreeable to the Imperial Family. He is a man of very great ability and tact. Reports are to the effect that he is the author of the present series of letters, differing from those ordinarily accepted as customary. Some of these are remarkable for hastiness, others are results of the accumulated struggles of successive centuries. All of them are worthy of preservation, and in them often lies some reference to a fact or a figure which deserves to be carefully examined and turned to account.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

THURSDAY, 15th April.

ON LONDON.—Bank Bills, on demand, £3,941; Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight, £3,941; Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight, £3,941; Credits, at 4 months' sight, £3,941; Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight, £3,941; On LONDON.—Bank 3 days' sight, £2,244; On CALCUTTA.—Bank 3 days' sight, £2,244; On SHANGHAI.—Bank 3 days' sight, £73; Private, 30 days' sight, £73.

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Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$1,450 per share.

China Traders' Insurance Company's Shares—\$1,450 per share.

North China Insurance—£1,180 per share.

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Chinese Insurance Company—\$300 per share.

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China Fire Insurance Company's Shares—\$225 per share.

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China Coast Steam Navigation Company—£107 per share.

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Hongkong Hotel Company's Shares—\$66 per share.

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Chinese Imperial Loan of 1877—Nominal.

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The following settlements are taken from Mr. R. STEVENS' Freight Circular.—

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American ship CENTENNIAL, 1,290 tons, to New York, private terms.

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CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up) £10,000,000 PERMANENT RESERVE £100,000 SPECIAL RESERVE FUND £20,000.

TOTAL CAPITAL AND RESERVE, 20th April, 1875.

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Hongkong, 14th May, 1876.

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	CAPTAIN	AT	FOR FREIGHT APPLIED TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, via SUET CANAL.	Agamemnon (str.)	J. Wilding	Hongkong	Butterfield & Swire	On or about 19th inst.
LONDON, via SUET CANAL.	R. F. Scale (str.)	R. F. Scale	Hongkong	Butterfield & Swire	On or about 21st inst.
Peru	Smith	Vogel & Co.	Vogel & Co.	Quick despatch.	Quick despatch.
Bearse	Maynard	Hongkong	Vogel & Co.	Quick despatch.	Quick despatch.
Palestine	City of Tokio (str.)	W. H. Marcy	Hongkong	Russell & Co.	On 1st prox. at 1 P.M.
SAKAMONDO, via YAMAHA	Y. Marcy	Hongkong	Vogel & Co.	Quick despatch.	Quick despatch.
SAN FRANCISCO	Y. Marcy	Hongkong	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Quick despatch.	Quick despatch.
POR DARWIN, E.A.	Rowell	Hongkong	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Quick despatch.	Quick despatch.
Comodoro (str.)	J. Moore	Hongkong	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-day at 2 P.M.	To-day at 2 P.M.
Amrica (str.)	W. B. Hall	Hongkong	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-morrow at 5 P.M.	To-morrow at 5 P.M.
Orca (str.)	Rapalo	Hongkong	Mitsui Bishi Mail S. Co.	On 24th inst. at Noon.	To-morrow at Daylight.
YOKOHAMA	H. Basat	Hongkong	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Quick despatch.	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI AND HUIGO	H. Basat	Hongkong	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Quick despatch.	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI	H. Basat	Hongkong	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Quick despatch.	Quick despatch.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOSHOW	Harr	Hongkong	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-day at Noon.	To-day at Noon.
AMOY	Talbot	Hongkong	Russell & Co.	To-day at Noon.	To-day at Noon.
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Hongkong, January, 1876.

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JAS. B. COUGHLIE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 1st November, 1876.

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EXTRACTS.

THE OLD QUARRY.

"John!"
"Yes, sir."
"Tell the young ladies I am writing breakfast for them."

"Yes, sir."
A pause; then a violent pull at the bell-rope.

"John!"
"Yes, sir."

"Send Mary to ask why the young ladies don't come."

"Yes, sir."

Another pause, during which the worthy squire of Elindale, master of Blundale Court, J.P., and what not, stamped up and down the room in what his nieces would have called a "towering rage."

Another violent pull at the rope; and the unfortunate John, who knew his master's mood, was hurrying to answer it when a girl of about seventeen ran into the room, and forestalling the expected storm ("taking the bull by the horns," as she would have expressed it), exclaims—

"Gracious me, uncle, what is the matter? You'll frighten everybody into fits in a minute; and the bell will crack directly, as well as the drums of our ears."

"Pshaw!" returned the Squire, testily; "don't talk nonsense! Why don't you come down in proper time? and where's Margaret? I never saw such an ill-managed house in my life."

"Nine o'clock, and I can't get my breakfast. Make the tea, Katherine, will you?"

"Katherine and Margaret, I must have you nice as she obeyed. "The storm is rather rough when we cease to be Katie and Meg."

"Where's Margaret, I say?" again asked the testy Squire.

"She'll be down in a brace of—ahem!—a few minutes, uncle."

"I know what you were going to say. How many times have I told you that I will not have slang talked in my presence? Of all detestable things for a young lady to do, it is to—"

"What a mercy, here is Meg!" muttered Katie, as the door opened. "Catch me coming down alone again."

"Now, Margaret, what have you been about? Do you consider this proper time to get my breakfast? This morning, too, when you know that I have to go out early."

"I am very sorry, father," her daughter replied gently; "I overslept myself."

"And where is that lazy dog, Domville? This is not the way to treat me to my good graces, I can tell you!"

Margaret blushed as she moved to the table, while another peal summoned John.

"My compliments to Mr. Domville, and I should be glad to know when he intends to let us have breakfast."

John answered "Yes, sir," and retired, but the discreet servant knew his master, and it is probable the message reaches his master's guest—who was his young lady's "intended," in a more civil form than that sent by the choleric old Squire.

"Shall we begin, father? I'm sure Arthur won't mind," said Margaret, as she took her seat at the table.

"A nice thing to have to begin without one's guests," answered her father. "I tell you what it is, if you don't choose to get up in time, I'll—ring the alarm bell at five o'clock every morning, and see if that will wake you."

"For pity's sake don't, uncle," interposed Katie. "I shall imagine all sorts of awful things, and shriek till I rouse all the neighbourhood. Beside, that is just the time I'm dreaming about—wedding breakfasts, and no end of pleasant things. Hurrah! Mr. Domville, the top of the morning to ye, as we say in our country. Sure an it's late ye are."

The Squire frowned angrily at his aunts, and it was with no pleasant face that he turned to great the new-comer.

"In my younger days, Mr. Domville, we did not oversleep ourselves, or, if we did, we had to suffer for it."

"As I'm sure I ought to do," returned Arthur Domville, with a pleasant smile. "I am extremely sorry, sir, and I can only ask you to accept my apologies. And I hope the young ladies will accept them, too, with a ceremonious bow, which a merry twinkle in his eyes belied. "I am very vexed that you waited for me."

The Squire, whose anger never lasted long, was mollified in spite of him by the pleasant manner of his intended son-in-law, and the fact that entering with the papers turned his thoughts into another channel.

Arthur Domville, with a pleasant "Good morning, Maggie; good-morning Miss Katie," took his seat between them, and began upon the good things with which Maggie provided him.

"Well I must be off," said the Squire, after a hasty glance at the paper. "I shall not be back to lunch, we have so much to get through before Christmas. But Maggie will look after you, Domville, I have no doubt. How does Janet see this morning, Meg?"

"I'm afraid she is not so well, father," replied Maggie, her face becoming troubled; "she has had a bad night. Dr. West is coming soon."

The Squire looked sad. If there was one thing on earth he idolized it was his eldest daughter, and lately it had occurred to him that she did not seem to get better. "I won't disturb her now," he said; "give her my love, and tell her to cheer up by the time I get back. Domville, a chat with you always does her good; you'll go up-by-and-by, won't you?"

"Yes, sir, certainly; I will gladly do so, and neither Maggie nor he betrayed that their late appearance had been caused by their having spent the greater part of the night by Janet's bedside."

Mrs. Elmers went off, but presently returned.

"Domville, they tell me you are a clever fellow in your line; can't you suggest something fresh for my poor girl? If you can I will call at West's on my way, and tell him I wish it."

"I wish I could," returned Arthur, pressing the Squire's outstretched hand. "At all events, I will see what Dr. West thinks when he comes."

"I wish you would. Well, I must be off," and with a sigh the Squire departed.

"Off he goes," announced Kite from the window. "Proudly his red-roan charger trots, which is less appropriate to the horse than to this the rider."

"His eye dark, and eye of fire;

Show'd spirit proud and prompt to rise."

"My dear Katie," exasperated Maggie.

"My dear Maggie," mimicked Katie.

"You can't deny he is more like a champion than a carpet-knight, after this morning's example, and, excuse a parody, 'Who slants near him to woe is death, in truth!'

Her companions could not help laughing at this silly, and Katie, exclaiming—

"Ah! there's Brian and the dogs. Farewell, daughter of a modern Marion," threw open the window, and, regardless of the biting frost, rushed out.

"Oh! Arthur, I am so glad papa said that," exclaimed Maggie, "and Janet will be so glad, too; she has often wished papa would let you doctor her. It will be such a comfort to us."

"More than that it will be to me," said Arthur, with a smile. "Of course I am very glad to help you, dearest, but I foresee it will involve me in a quarrel with your father."

"Why?" asked Maggie, startled.

"It will be impossible for me to do Janet any good, unless her mind is at rest. If she were not constantly worrying herself over your brother's faults, and thinking him in all

sorts of crimes and dangers, she would soon get better. She feels she ought to be doing something for him, and nothing will do her good till your father has forgiven him. Now, if I tell you father this, as I must if I attend her, you know what will be the consequence."

Maggie sighed; the very mention of her brother's name always threw her father into a violent rage.

"What do you think of this, last idea of Janet's?" she said, at length. "Do you think she really saw anything, or was it fancy?"

"I cannot quite tell; naturally, one would suppose it to be fancy. Anyhow, it has done her as much harm as it was real; indeed, it is not cleared up soon, I fear!"

"There is Dr. West. I will go to him at once."

The day passed on. At six o'clock, as Maggie was sitting waiting for dinner, she heard her father's horse in the avenue. As he entered the hall, something in the sound of his footsteps, before he heard her voice, made Maggie fear a storm was brewing. A moment after he burst into the room.

"A pretty West has been telling me, concocted by that precious Domville of yours, to please you, I suppose, and that you are a rascal. Ah! here you are, sir," said Arthur entered. "What do you mean by inventing a parcel of—"

"Dinner, sir," announced the Squire, with a sound of distress.

"The presence of the servants kept Mr. Elmers from any open demonstrations during the meal; but he kept up a series of side sneers at Domville, who was rather trying to poor Maggie. She knew the volcano was being rolled along that held, and with a vigorous effort the unconscious burden was placed upon the bank.

Mrs. Elmers threw himself on the grass, utterly exhausted, as the now-older man said, "My dear sir, I trust you are not hurt; how did you happen?"

"Ah!" gasped the Squire, with a sound of intense grief. "I thought I had killed him. What is it, and how came he here?"

Domville, who had fortunately been roaming in the grounds, bent over the prostrate figure.

It was too dark to see more than that the stranger was perfectly unconscious, stammered the Squire, in despair, "I think we must get him somewhere at once."

"Yes, to the Hall," said Mr. Elmers gathering up. "Let us lose no time. It was that horrid son did the mischief, and followed by Arthur bearing the helpless figure, he ascended the bank.

As they neared the house Mr. Elmers turned to Arthur. "Give him a blow on the temple, and then to the Squire. I think we must

get him somewhere at once."

"It is not nonsense," said the Squire, "I told Dr. West, and he agreed with me, that your daughter's illness is more mental than bodily, and that it is impossible to do her any good unless her greatest wish is granted."

"It means to say that you and Maggie are scheming to get that rascal Harry back into the house; but you are deceived if you think I am going to be made a fool of. He will not come, I tell you!"

"In that case, sir," returned the young doctor, with a calmness that added fire to the Squire's rage, "it is, of course, useless to attempt anything; but I fuel it my duty to lay the plain facts of the case before you. As long as Dr. West did not see fit to tell me, I could not interfere, but now I cannot refrain from letting you know the truth. The intense sorrow and anxiety you daughter has suffered on account of her brother's baseness has undermined her health, and just now she has received a shock that has made her state most critical. I assure you, I firmly believe nothing but her brother's return will save her life."

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